

11 wherein said recessed portion has a depth at least as large as a thickness of said leg  
12 portion, and

13 wherein a thickness of said thermally dissipating surface is at least equal to a  
14 combined thickness of said leg portion and said recessed portion.

1 2. (Four Times Amended) A method of assembling a fan motor, which is mounted on a  
2 surface of an electronic component to be cooled, including a thermally dissipating surface to  
F 3 be mounted to <sup>the</sup>an <sup>the</sup>electronic component, <sup>the</sup>a motor attached to said thermally dissipating  
4 surface, and an attaching plate having a leg portion in a peripheral portion thereof for fixing  
5 said motor to said thermally dissipating surface, wherein said thermally dissipating surface  
6 has a hole portion at least as large as said attaching plate, and a recessed portion that is  
7 formed on an attaching surface side of said thermally dissipating surface to said electronic  
8 component and that accommodates at least said leg portion of said attaching plate therein,  
9 said method comprising:

10 passing said attaching plate through said hole portion;

11 rotating the attaching plate through said hole portion;

12 rotating the attaching plate so that said leg portion is accommodated in said recessed  
13 portion, said recessed portion being provided such that said recessed portion has a depth at  
14 least as large as a thickness of said leg portion; and

15 fixing said leg portion to said thermally dissipating surface from said attaching surface  
16 side,

17 wherein a thickness of said thermally dissipating surface is at least equal to a  
18 combined thickness of said leg portion and said recessed portion.

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1 4. (Four Times Amended) A fan motor, which is mounted on a surface of an electronic  
2 component to be cooled, wherein a recessed portion capable of accommodating an attaching  
F 3 plate of <sup>the</sup>a <sup>the</sup>motor is provided in a thermally dissipating surface of a heat sink on a side thereof  
F 4 which is to be mounted on <sup>the</sup>an <sup>the</sup>electronic component, and said attaching plate is fixed from an  
5 attaching surface side of said thermally dissipating surface to the electronic component in a  
6 state that said attaching plate is accommodated in said recessed portion,

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7 wherein said recessed portion has a depth at least as large as a thickness of said  
8 attaching plate portion being accommodated, and  
9 wherein a thickness of said thermally dissipating surface is at least equal to a  
10 combined thickness of said leg portion and said recessed portion.

1 8. (Three Times Amended) A structure for mounting a first plate member associated with a  
2 motor portion of a fan motor, which is mounted on a surface of an electronic component to be  
3 cooled, onto a second plate member having a first side and a second side opposite from said  
4 first side, said structure comprising:  
5 an opening portion formed through said second plate member;  
6 at least one recessed portion provided in said first side of said second plate member  
7 and located outwardly with respect to said opening portion; and  
8 at least one leg portion provided to said first plate member, and received by said  
9 recessed portion so that said motor portion is at least partially located in said second side,  
10 wherein said recessed portion has a depth at least as large as a thickness of said leg  
11 portion, and  
12 wherein a thickness of said thermally dissipating surface is at least equal to a  
13 combined thickness of said leg portion and said recessed portion.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-5, 8-10 and 12-19 are all the claims presently pending in the application.  
Claim 11 has been canceled.

Claim 2 stands rejected upon informalities (e.g., 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph).  
Claim 2 has been amended, above, to overcome this rejection.

Entry of this §1.116 Amendment is proper. Since the amendments above narrow the  
issues for appeal and since such features were in the claims earlier, such amendments do not  
raise a new issue requiring a further search and/or consideration by the Examiner. As such,  
entry of this Amendment is believed proper and is earnestly solicited.

It is noted that the claims have been amended solely to more particularly point out

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